Dear

Mineral King has been earmarked by the Forest Service to be developed into a ski resort. The plans, as reported in the paper, are to develop six ski bowls, a huge parking lot, and a hotel. If this is accomplished, Mineral King, as we know it will be ruined.

We feel strongly that Mineral King should be a wilderness area. We feel that the back packers and the people who enjoy the wilderness as it is, are being sadly overlooked by the Forest Service in its efforts to develop recreation areas. We are urging everyone who is interested in preserving Mineral King as it is, to write immediately to their Congressmen and Senators about this. Letters to the president of the Sierra Club and Governor Brown might also be helpful. There is no time to be lost as the project is open for bids now. Bids will close August 31, 1965, and work is to be started in three years.

There are various plans for building a year-round road. Several of these include routes through more virgin forest areas instead of following the present road.

If you feel as we do, that Mineral King must not share the fate of parts of Yosemite and Sequoia, and that our vanishing wilderness must be preserved, please write immediately and alert anyone you may know who would also help with this campaign of letters.

The president of the Sierra Club is William Serri, 1050 Mills Tower, 220 Bush St., San Francisco.

Sincerely,

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